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AFRL runners contribute to fundraising event

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ROME, N.Y. — Fifty Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) runners raised nearly \$5,000 for “America’s Greatest Heart Run & Walk” conducted Feb. 24 from Barneveld to Utica.

The 27th annual heart run and companion weekend radiothon, raised \$1,036,393, making the Oneida County event by far the largest fund-raising effort of its kind in the nation. A total of 8,106 participants completed run and walk courses of various lengths.

Event funds are earmarked for research to combat heart disease and strokes.

The \$4,941 in pledges raised by AFRL runners was tops among teams entered from the Griffiss Business and Technology Park in Rome and ranked third among all teams entered in the government employee category. @